## COMMUNITY SERVICES

should be carefully planned and provided for to avoid the problems too often associated with strip commercial development.

Tax differentials are often an inducement for families, businesses and industries to locate outside of incorporated areas. In many cases the lower tax rates can be maintained in rural areas as long as the differential between levels of urban and rural services is maintained. However, too many times as rural areas develop, the occupants later demand urban services but still do not wish to pay the tax rates which are necessary to provide the services at the levels demanded.

As Lee County continues to develop and become more urban, the county should plan to provide more services county—wide. Other services could also be organized at the county level, with special service districts established where services are needed and may be provided economi—cally. Many city—county, urban—rural conflicts center around differences in public services and the tax levies for them. If more services could be administered by counties either county—wide or by special districts, some of the conflicts could be eliminated.